

WIFE ELOPED WITH CHAUFFEUR IN AUTO

POLICE TOO LATE TO STOP MAN FROM KILLING HIMSELF

Henry A. Nobbs, Assistant Treasurer of Roland P. Keady Fire-Proofing Company, Ended His Life in a Paterson Hotel.

Henry A. Nobbs, assistant treasurer of the Roland P. Keady fireproofing concern at No. 170 Broadway, was found dead in the Royal Hotel at Paterson, N. J., to-day at a time when half a dozen policemen of that city were hunting for him to prevent his suicide.

He had notified his business associates of his intention to end his life in Paterson, and an alarm had been sent out to arrest him and restrain him from killing himself.

Mr. Nobbs, who is about forty years old, and besides being assistant treasurer of the fire proofing company had many other financial interests, lived in Easton, N. J., with his family. He had built a fine home there, and was looked upon as a man of wealth.

Wrote of Intended Suicide.

H. F. Harrison, who is employed by the Virginia Paper Pulp Company, to-day got a letter from Mr. Nobbs telling him that he had made up his mind to commit suicide. Nobbs had long been a friend of Mr. Harrison, and was interested in the West Virginia Paper Pulp and Paper Company, at No. 39 Broadway. After explaining his motive for ending his life—which Mr. Harrison will not divulge at present—he said that he would hide himself in Paterson and blow out his brains. He had made all his preparations to the purchase of a revolver, before writing this letter.

When Mr. Harrison got the letter he immediately called upon the Paterson police headquarters and asked that an immediate search be made for Mr. Nobbs, giving a careful description of him.

By the time the detective got round to the Royal Hotel the clerk was making inquiries for a "C. A. Wilson, of New York," who had taken a room last night, gone to it and not been seen since.

Went to "Wilson's" Room.

It was well past noon and nothing had been seen of the man after he had gone to his room. There had been something singular in the man's manner, that stuck in the clerk's mind, and when the detective asked for him, he had given him a reason for wishing to find him the clerk was sure something was wrong and asked the officer to accompany him to "Mr. Wilson's" room.

They found the door of the room

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VOORHEIS TO BOWL MATCH WITH SMITH

Champion Bowlers of Manhattan and Brooklyn Will Meet on Superba Alleys.

John Voorheis and Jimmy Smith are to meet in a match contest at the Superba alleys, Brooklyn, within thirty days in what should prove to be the most interesting event of the local bowling season. Charles H. Ebbets succeeded in bringing the two bowlers together early this morning after the Voorheis-Smith match at the Grand Central.

Many efforts have been made to match Voorheis with Smith, the first attempt having failed last year, when Voorheis claimed that the season was too far advanced and that he was unable to get away from the city. Smith's vain efforts at that time and since have, so far, as local sentiment in Brooklyn goes, failed him the championship honors that belong to one unable to get a match when money is posted in support of a challenge.

The Superba alleys, at Franklin avenue and Fulton street, Brooklyn, are as near neutral for both Smith and Voorheis as it would be possible to obtain in the greater city, and the contest there should be a true test of merit between the champions of Brooklyn and Manhattan. Such has been the discussion over this prospective match that thousands of dollars will be wagered on the result.

Voorheis and Smith agreed to meet at the Superba alleys at 6 o'clock. After the match will be arranged, the number of games to be rolled, the size and amount of the side stake being then decided.

Voorheis has also agreed to arrange a money and name match contest with Edward J. Buffalo, to be rolled in New York. The first series of games will be at the Grand Central, Brooklyn, and the second in Buffalo.

When Als Held a Grand Reception on the occasion of his election.



POISONS AGED WOMAN AND SON AND LOOTS FLAT

Thief Gives Knockout Drops to Wolff Kessler and His Mother.

A thief in the guise of a jewelry peddler gave whiskey containing knockout drops to ninety-three-year-old Dora Kessler and her sixty-four-year-old son Wolff in their flat in the basement of No. 22 Scammon street to-day. Wolff Kessler died a few hours later in Gouverneur Hospital without regaining consciousness and his mother cannot survive the day.

The look for which these two lives were taken consisted of a diamond ring valued at \$50, a watch, a chain, five gold rings and \$25 in cash. Three persons are under arrest on suspicion—Tessie Maakensky, who lived across the hall from the Kesslers; Peter Wallen, her common-law husband, and John Schnell, who boarded with them. All are Poles.

Found Them Unconscious.

Bessie Kessler, sixty-two years old, leaving her husband and her mother-in-law in the house together. She was gone about an hour, and upon her return found them both unconscious. The flat had been ransacked.

A peddler of jewelry called at the house yesterday and gave the Kesslers whiskey from a bottle he carried. Kessler, under the influence of the liquor, became garrulous and told of the jewelry he had stored in the house. The peddler promised to return to-day and, according to the Maakensky woman, he did so, bringing whiskey. She says that she had some of the whiskey, and it made her ill.

No one else appears to have seen the peddler. Schnell and Wallen say they were asleep in the Maakensky flat at the time of the robbery.

Kessler was a brushmaker and worked at home. He was preparing to execute a job when his wife started for market to-day and his mother was at work in the kitchen. Mrs. Kessler was gone for a little more than an hour.

Rinds Him Unconscious.

When she got back to the flat her husband was not in the room where he had his workshop. She found him in an adjoining bedroom, fully dressed and stretched across the bed. At first she thought he was dead.

Calling her mother-in-law and receiving no reply, Mrs. Kessler went into another bedroom. There she found Mrs. Dora Kessler lying on a bed and unconscious like her son. The screams of alarm of Mrs. Bessie Kessler brought neighbors to the scene, and one of them called a policeman, who summoned an ambulance.

By the time the policeman arrived the windows of the flat had been opened, and the four men were on the scene, seeing that Mrs. Kessler and her son had been poisoned by gas. But the gas jets were all closed. Mrs. Bessie Kessler said that she had no doubt of the odor in the house when she entered.

Pettus Seized With Illness in Senate.

Aged Senator from Alabama, Attended by Fellow Member, Recoverers and Takes His Seat.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Senator Pettus, of Alabama, had an attack of illness in the Democratic cloak-room early to-day, but soon recovered and took his seat in the Senate.

Senator Gallinger, who is a physician, was called to see him by Senators who were in the room at the time.

ATTEMPT WILD WEST HOLD UP IN RESTAURANT

Thief with Pistol Faces Cashier and Confederate Turns on Lights.

Two robbers, both armed and prepared to kill, entered Kall's restaurant, No. 61 Cortlandt street, at 4:30 A. M. to-day and, while one of them turned off all the lights in the place, the other drew his revolver and attempted to hold up the cashier and a waiter, the object being to make off with the money in the safe and cash drawer.

Walter C. Swift, the night cashier, and William Clancy, the waiter during the early morning hours, were in the restaurant alone, when a stockily built chap, about twenty-four years old, entered. The man was smooth shaven and his dress was shabby. He had the appearance of a Swede, with ruddy cheeks and a full face.

"I want an egg sandwich," the man told Clancy, when the waiter went to him.

Lights Out; "Hands Up!"

A few seconds later the man stole from his seat and made for the basement. Just as Swift noticed that the patron had disappeared every electric light was extinguished and the place was in total darkness. Swift made his way from behind the cashier's desk, to encounter a second man in the doorway. At the same instant the chill of a revolver's barrel was poked under the cashier's chin.

"Hands up!" commanded the man, as he drove the barrel of the weapon into the cashier's flesh. "Hands up! Hands up! High!"

Swift was not slow in raising his hands above his head. The man pushed him back into a corner and was holding him there, when suddenly Swift let drive a hard right-hand blow, and down went the man with the revolver.

At the same time the robber fired and the bullet went through Swift's collar. Swift was fighting now. He and the man grappled. They fought all over the restaurant, and they still were fighting when the man who had come to the cellar came to the first floor. He undoubtedly knew where the electric light switch was located in the cellar. That he had turned it off there is no doubt in the minds of the police.

Fought Two Robbers.

The second man had come to his companion's assistance when the shot was fired. The two robbers and Swift fought for life. Then Clancy came, and he and Swift watched themselves against the two men. Swift all the time holding fast to the revolver, which was also in the grasp of his opponent.

The four men wrestled to the street. Clancy was yelling for help as loud as his lungs would permit. When they reached the sidewalk, Swift was felled by a blow in the back. Two more shots were fired at him. One of them went through his coat and a second grazed his throat.

Seeing the third shot both robbers took to their heels.

Noting that the two robbers could be followed, the police from the Church street station did not send out a general alarm for the men.

Guard Against Lynching.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Feb. 6.—Johnston, a negro, who was arrested ten days ago on the charge of attacking a young white woman, and who narrowly escaped mob violence in this city, was reported to the coroner to-day from Nashville, where he had been taken for safe keeping. The Court-house where his trial is in progress is surrounded by a detail of police.

Russian Election in April.

AT PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The elections to the National Assembly will be held April 7. The National Assembly will be convened April 12.

MINER FROM WEST SAYS WIFE RAN OFF WITH AUTO DRIVER

Coleman Asserts That \$50,000 in Mining Stock Disappeared Also—Chauffeur Caught Uptown and Is Put Under Arrest.

George F. Coleman, a Western mining man, visiting in New York, lost his wife, his chauffeur and \$50,000 worth of mining stock three weeks ago. They all went away together. Coleman recovered the chauffeur with the aid of two private detectives and a policeman to-day, but his wife and the \$50,000 worth of stock are still missing. He is particularly anxious to recover the stock.

Coleman came here early in the winter to float a mine in which he is interested in the Goldfields (Nev.) district and brought his wife with him. Then engaged quarters at the Hotel Brevin and hired an automobile and a chauffeur, the latter being Frank Stanley, of No. 106 West Sixty-first street, a wise and agreeable young man who knew all about New York.

The busy Mr. Coleman spent his days in the mine and immediately sustained a severe shock. There was a note from his wife telling him that she had gone away from there with Stanley. He got a severe shock when he discovered that two certificates, each showing the ownership of \$5,000 worth of stock of the Cannon Ball gold mine, were missing.

On Jan. 13 Coleman reached his quarters in the Brevin and immediately sustained a severe shock. There was a note from his wife telling him that she had gone away from there with Stanley. He got a severe shock when he discovered that two certificates, each showing the ownership of \$5,000 worth of stock of the Cannon Ball gold mine, were missing.

After some profound thought Mr. Coleman went to a private detective agency and retained two sleuths. He worked with them night and day and finally they got on the trail of Stanley. They rounded him up this afternoon in the barroom of the Hotel Lincoln, at Fifty-fourth street and Broadway.

Stanley saw them first and was out of the door like a shot. Policemen Flanagan happened to be standing on the corner, and Stanley ran into him. Before he could untangle himself the agile chauffeur was nabbed by one of the private sleuths, who produced a warrant. Flanagan obligingly made the arrest.

Coleman accompanied the prisoner to the West Forty-seventh street station and outlined his tale of woe to Sergt. Boland. The sergeant was taken into the West Side Police Court and held for examination. He didn't cave the stock certificate. He didn't give the stock certificate. He didn't give the stock certificate.

Mr. Stanley eulogized William J. Bryan during his speech, saying every unpenetrated thief in Wall street shuddered at the mention of his name.

The House reached an agreement to close general debate on the Rate bill at 4:30 o'clock to-morrow.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Mrs. Louise Tanowsky was burned to death and her husband John was seriously injured when she upset a lamp which exploded in their home at No. 122 Dupont street, Williamsburg, last night.

FOUR KILLED IN CRASH OF TRAINS.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 6.—Messrs. Portlanders have reached here of a wreck on the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company's line, in which four persons were killed and four others injured. The wreck occurred when a passenger train No. 3, from Spokane, broke down at a crossing near the city. A freight train No. 5, from Chicago, to pass.

Train No. 5 came along at great speed and was signaled, but was not brought to a stop and crashed into the rear of No. 3, demolishing the rear car. The accident occurred a short distance west of Bridal Veil. No names are obtainable.

WOODBURY'S DEPARTMENT TO BE PROBED

The special committee of the Board of Aldermen, appointed to-day to act with the regular Committee on Street Cleaning, held an executive session late this afternoon.

Plans as well as ways and means were discussed behind closed doors. Each member of the two committees had information which was regarded as of the highest importance, showing abuses in the Street-Cleaning Department. It was decided to hold a public hearing in the Aldermanic Chamber at 11 A. M., Feb. 16.

To that hearing all who have complaints to make of the Department's evils are urged to come. Other meetings will be held and then the committee will begin the work of summoning witnesses and taking testimony. Among those who will be called is Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner Gibson.

CORONER FOR DEATH OF CONSUL'S DAUGHTER

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The death of Mercedes, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Felipe Hernandez, the Mexican Consul in this city, was reported to the coroner to-day.

AN INVESTIGATION IS BEING MADE.

EIGHT MET DEATH IN DWELLING BLAZE

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6.—Eight persons were burned to death early to-day in a fire which destroyed a frame dwelling at Curtis Bay.

LATE RESULTS AT FAIR GROUNDS.

Fifth—Joe Lesser 4-1; Bravery 3-1 place, Sincerity Belle AT CITY PARK.

Sixth—Huzzah 7-2; Gilfain 2-1 place, Orient.

Sixth—April Shower 12-1; Braden 1-1 place, Lochgill.